

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A method of forming a window covering from a starting product in the form of a multiple-columned honeycomb structure, wherein the individual cells of the starting product are defined by external pleated sides on the opposite faces of the structure and internal ligaments interconnecting such opposite faces at spaced intervals, the method comprising the steps of:
severing selected ones of the internal ligaments, while leaving others of the internal ligaments intact, thereby eliminating one of the original columns of cells.
2. The method according to Claim 1, wherein alternating internal ligaments are severed.
3. The method according to Claim 1, wherein the internal ligaments are severed, except every fourth internal ligament is left intact.
4. The method according to Claim 1, wherein every fourth ligament is severed.
5. The method according to Claim 1, wherein one internal ligament is severed, an adjacent internal ligament is intact, the next adjacent internal ligament is severed, and the next adjacent three internal ligaments are left intact, and such severing pattern is then repeated for successive cells of the structure.
6. The method according to Claim 1, wherein every third ligament is severed.
7. The method according to Claim 1, wherein the internal ligaments are severed, except every third internal ligament is left intact.
8. A method of forming a single-cell column type of multi-cellular collapsible window covering from an starting product in the form of a double-cell column type of multi-cellular honeycomb structure, wherein the individual cells of the starting product are defined by external pleated sides on the opposite faces of the structure and internal ligaments interconnecting such opposite faces at spaced intervals, the method comprising the steps of:

severing selected ones of the internal ligaments according to a predetermined repeating sequence.

9. The method according to Claim 8, wherein the predetermined sequence produces a finished product wherein each cell has only a single pleat on each face of the finished product.

10. The method according to Claim 8, wherein the predetermined sequence produces a finished product wherein each cell has two pleats on each face of the finished product.

11. The method according to Claim 8, wherein the predetermined sequence produces a finished product wherein each face has a single pleat per cell and the pleats have an alternating variable pitch on the finished product.

12. The method according to Claim 8, wherein the predetermined sequence produces a finished product wherein two adjacent single-cells appear between each original double-cell of the finished product.

13. The method according to Claim 8, wherein the predetermined sequence produces a finished product wherein only half of an original double-cell pair appears between each newly formed single-cell, and such half double-cells appear on alternating faces of the finished product.

14. The method according to Claim 8, wherein the predetermined sequence produces a finished product wherein each newly formed cell has a single pleat on one face and a double pleat on the opposite face, and such cells are oriented in alternating opposite directions on the finished product.

15. A single-cell column type of multi-cellular collapsible window covering formed from a starting product in the form of a honeycomb structure, the window covering comprising:

a plurality of individual cells defined by external pleated sides on the opposite faces of the structure; and

a plurality of internal ligaments interconnecting such opposite faces at spaced intervals,

wherein selected ones of the plurality of internal ligaments are severed to form a finished product.

16. The window covering according to Claim 15, wherein alternating internal ligaments are severed.

17. The window covering according to Claim 15, wherein all the internal ligaments are severed, except every fourth internal ligament is left intact.

18. The window covering according to Claim 15, wherein every fourth ligament is severed.

19. The window covering according to Claim 15, wherein one internal ligament is severed, an adjacent internal ligament is intact, the next adjacent internal ligament is severed, and the next adjacent three internal ligaments are intact, such severing pattern being repeated for successive cells of the structure.

20. The window covering according to Claim 15, wherein every third ligament is severed.

21. The window covering according to Claim 15, wherein all the internal ligaments are severed, except every third internal ligament is left intact.